



## Newsletter 27th September 2019

### Last week:

Best attendance:

Unauthorised absences:

Lates:

*Dear Parents,*

**Our Open Morning is on Thursday 3rd October at 9.30 in the Sunshine Room. Anyone interested in a place at our school is very welcome to come to this event.**

**Year 5** had a wonderful residential visit, last week, to Burwardsley. Thank you to Mr Campion for organising this and to Mrs Cuttle, Mrs Fairhurst and Mrs Williams for accompanying the children. I am always very appreciative that staff are willing to have time away from their own families to ensure our pupils have the experience of a residential visit.

The Staff have assembled an **Auction of Promises** to raise money to help fund the visit by children from our twin school, Elizabethfontein Primêr, in South Africa. We hope to raise enough money to enable 10 children and 2 members of staff to visit Goostrey in June, 2020. The list and more information on pages 5 to 8.

We are requesting food for the local foodbank for our **Harvest assembly** this year. Please send any food donations in WB 14th October. I recently had a request, from a parent, suggesting that families may wish to consider writing to their local MP enquiring about what their plans are to reduce food bank usage in the future. We will look at food banks with the children, in class, so they can understand why we are asking them to bring food donations in.

**Miss Atkins—a head teacher who is very proud of Goostrey School and everyone associated with it.**

Dates for your diary.

### October

**Thursday 3rd 9.30**

Monday 7th 6pm

Wednesday 9th

Friday 18th

Wednesday 23rd

Thursday 24th

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Individual photos

Y6 cake sale

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SENCo: [mrs.freeman@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:mrs.freeman@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk). If you need any help, support or advice regarding children's special educational needs, please feel free to drop-in and see Mrs Freeman. She is available every Wednesday afternoon in the Year 2 classroom (3.30-4pm)

*Please keep checking class pages on the website for specific information / dates for each class. Many events / activities eg class visits, extra curricular and sporting events will have separate information sent out detailing dates and times etc.*

**Holiday dates for 19/20 are on the website under INFORMATION FOR PARENTS. 20 / 21 coming soon. PLEASE NOTE THE GOVERNMENT HAVE MOVED THE MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY FROM MONDAY MAY 4TH TO FRIDAY MAY 8TH IN 2020.**

### Useful information

**Before school club:** booking form available on school website [http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/serve\\_file/48433](http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/48433)

**Superkids after school club:** enrolment - 0161 474 7743 / contact during club - 07746 559400

**School uniform:** [www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey](http://www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey)

**On-line payment website address** [www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schoolshop](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schoolshop)

# Goostrey Community Primary

## Annual Exhibition 2019 - Inventions

**E**very year in October, we hold our annual exhibition; a very special event in our school calendar.

The school works hard to produce a visually stimulating display to showcase the work of the children. Our annual exhibition has been a regular part of Goostrey school life for the last 17 years.

Previous exhibitions have had a variety of themes including Japan, South East Asia, The British Isles, Rainbow, Cold and Peace. The children work on topics related to the overall theme, in their classes, as well as enjoying the enriching and invaluable experiences that visitors bring for the children. In previous years we have had ice

sculptors, artists, mural painters, wood carvers, llamas and even Levi Roots!

This year the theme of the exhibition is 'Inventions'.

We have a café, which serves delicious cakes as well as a Fairtrade stall run by our Fairtrade officers. Let us entertain you with performances, inspire and inform you the work we are proud of and welcome you into our school community.

Please come along and share this experience with us at school.

*Goostrey Community Primary School*



Exhibition open to all on Wednesday 23rd October and Thursday 24th October from 2pm until 7pm School Hall Victorian building Main Road, Goostrey

Please look out for this in the October edition of the Villages Mag. There will be some copies at the reception desk if anyone would like one.

## **GIZMOBOTS WORKSHOPS**

All the children in our school will be working with Mark Haig of Gizmobots in October in order to create wonderful inventions for the exhibition.

Mark has asked if we are able to supply some resources please.

any plastic based WEEE (waste electrical and electronic equipment)

Things like hoovers, stereos, TVs and printers are good, **but** microwaves, washing machines and irons aren't usable in the workshops.

If you have any of these items please can you save them and bring them to school on the week beginning October 7<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you

## **Mid-Day Assistants Vacancies**

We are seeking enthusiastic and caring people to join our team supervising our pupils over the lunchtime breaks, for a minimum of two days per week. Please contact our School Business Manager, Mrs J Schurer-Lewis on 01270 685658 or via e-mail; [admin@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk) to request an application form and job description.

**Goostrey Community Primary School is committed to the safeguarding and welfare of our pupils. Successful applicants will be required to have enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service checks, and attend Basic Safeguarding training**

**Riley** passed his stage 3 swimming on Saturday.



**Seren Kilby** took her RAD Primary ballet exam and she got a distinction with a mark of 89



Please let me have the details of anything your child has done that we can all celebrate. Send me the details on an email and I will cut and paste them into the newsletter as well as celebrating it in assembly. **The responsibility to get permission for other people's children to be on photographs lies with the sender not with the school.**

Items for the newsletter need to be with me by Thursday lunchtime.

I always like to know what our pupils are celebrating and achieving outside school.

Thank you , Miss Atkins

*head@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk*

## Auction of Promises – Elizabethfontein Pupils’ Visit (June 2019)

The Staff of Goostrey School have assembled an Auction of Promises to raise money to help fund the visit by children from our twin school, Elizabethfontein Primêr, in South Africa. We hope to raise enough money to enable 10 children and 2 members of staff to visit Goostrey in June, 2020.

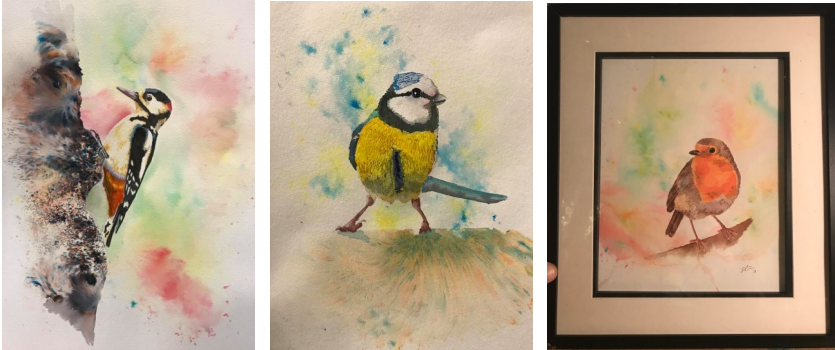
If you wish to place a bid for any of the Promises listed below, then please enclose your bid in a sealed envelope (with the number of the lot) and hand it to your child’s class teacher or to Mrs Williams/Mrs Carroll in Reception. All bids must be in by Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019.


You may bid for as many Promises as you wish and the highest bid will win in each case.

The successful bidders will be notified by Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2019. Payment should be made to school on or before Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November please. You can then contact the identified staff/parent responsible to arrange the date and time for the promise to be fulfilled.

If you would like to offer a promise that we could add, just let me (Mrs Cowell) know and I will include it.

Activity	Staff/ Parent responsible	Lot number
Nativity front row tickets	GCPS	1
Carol service front row tickets	GCPS	2
Year 6 Production front row tickets	GCPS	3
Miss Atkins’ special recipe Chicken and Chorizo Paella (no seafood), for four, with a bottle of champagne. Paella to be made for an agreed date and picked up from school - in the week. Minimum bid £40	Miss Atkins	4
Airport transfer for up to 4 people	Mr and Mrs Cowell	5
Mrs Benson’s lovely baking (2 cakes. Choice from the following list - Irish Apple, Lemon Drizzle, Victoria Sponge or Cardamom and Orange Victoria Sponge)	Mrs Benson	6
Planting out a tub of summer bedding (though that will have to wait till May 2020!	Mrs Benson	7
One nights babysitting	Ms Dean	8
One nights babysitting	Mrs Williams	9

<b>Dog sitting 2-3 nights</b>	Mrs Cooper	10
<p>Patterns in Patchwork 4 x 1 hour sessions for up to four primary pupils to learn how to make small patchwork patterns and decorations, after school. I'll provide all the materials needed. It would probably be on Fridays when I work all day and run from 3:40 to 4:30 and can be taken at any time during this academic year.</p>	Mrs Timmins	11
<b>5 hours of dog walking</b>	Mrs Cooper	12
<p>The painting will be of a small bird of the winning bidders choosing, with reference images to be agreed with the artist.</p> <p>The artist will be using Brusho and acrylic inks to produce a painting similar to examples shown. The finished painting will be approximately A4 (excluding any mount and frame). Steve Ellwood.</p> 	Miss Bairstow	13
<p><b>Alderley Edge Mine Trip</b> Tour for up to 8 people. Tour of a disused Victorian copper mine with the Derbyshire Caving Club. The tour will be tailored to the ages in the group. Old clothes essential, (uneven surfaces and muddy) headlamps and hard hats will be provided.</p>	Mrs Cowell	14
<p>"A trip round the Blackpool Tower at 1000 feet!" For one person - (18+) a flight from Liverpool up to Blackpool and round the tower!</p>	Mr and Mrs Benson	15
<b>Tropical facial – Ali Sandywell</b>	Miss Bairstow	16
<b>1 hour reflexology session – courtesy of Karen Wilson</b>	Miss Bairstow	17
<b>Cranage Hall - overnight stay for two Inc breakfast</b>	Miss Bairstow	18
<b>The Vicarage, Holmes Chapel - Afternoon Tea</b>	Miss Bairstow	19
<p>A visit to Pen y Garth Bed and Breakfast in Harlech for 2 nights for 2 adults in the Castle room. To be taken between now and Easter (excluding school holidays) It can be weekdays or at a weekend. Please note – adults only. <a href="http://www.pen-y-garth.co.uk">www.pen-y-garth.co.uk</a></p>	Mrs Saxton	20

Afternoon tea for 2 at Goostrey Home and Leisure	Mrs Saxton	21
Transport to and collection from a restaurant or venue of your choice, within a 10 mile radius of Goostrey.	Mrs Saxton	22
3 bird boxes of your choice from blue tit, great tit, robin, wren, tree creeper, or tawny owl. Or bat boxes.	Mrs Saxton	23
A 30 minute treatment with a chartered physiotherapist at Physiofit in Alderley Edge	Mrs Saxton	24
Gait analysis, one pair of trainers and other goodies at Running Bear  (Alderley Edge) Worth (£155)	Mrs Saxton	25
Tiger Teas Hamper of 5 x 50g packs of a variety of blends	Mrs Cowell	26
"Luxury beauty hamper from Booths *Donated by Booths	Mrs Machin	27
Premium 5ft Nordmann Fir Christmas tree.	Mrs Liptrott	28
Dog sitting/walking - weekend only. Happy to have dog for 2 nights Friday and Saturday.	Mrs Flint	29
Beauty voucher worth £20	Mrs Sheard	30
1 litre of homemade damsons in gin	Mrs Cowell	31
Halle Orchestra Concert Tickets 2 Tickets for a performance of your choice* Instructions : go to <a href="http://www.halle.co.uk">www.halle.co.uk</a> and determine your preferred performance. Then contact Dave Hext, Principal Percussionist at the Halle, at davidhext@talktalk.net *At the Bridgewater Hall, subject to availability	Mrs Hext	32
1 hour private tuition with Lucy Alves Yoga	Miss Bairstow	33
Half a terms dance lessons at Laura Wilson School of Dance	Miss Bairstow	34
The Barbers Holmes Chapel – Hair Cuts voucher	Miss Bairstow	35
A family ticket to the Royal Cheshire Show (June 2020) The Garnett family	Mrs Saxton	36
Astbury Golf Club  A 4 ball Green Fee Voucher, (value £60) valid until September 2020 (excluding Saturdays and Sundays). Mrs G Johnson	Mrs Saxton	37

Pamper Hamper – Full of beauty products and goodies	Mrs Flint	38
Jodrell Bank - Family Pass	Miss Bairstow	39
Seven Sisters Ice Cream Farm Voucher	Miss Bairstow	40
1 evening babysitting with Miss Bairstow, to be at family's house and obviously subject to availability	Miss Bairstow	41
Christmas or a Birthday presents wrapped for you; choose your theme/ colour and I will buy paper ribbon etc.	Mrs Schurer-Lewis	42



The Reading Agency and Libraries Present

# SPACE CHASE

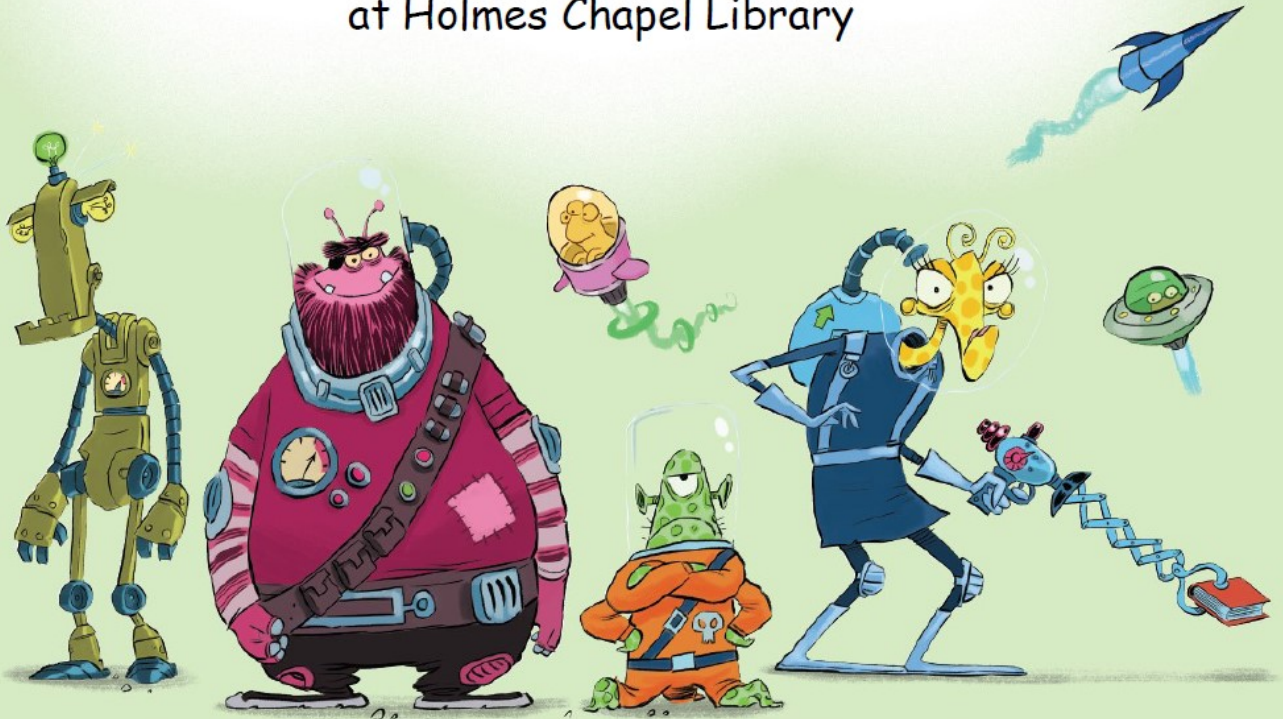
Summer Reading Challenge 2019



## SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATE Congratulations

**Goostrey Primary School**

on 41  
pupils successfully taking part in **Space Chase**  
at Holmes Chapel Library



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# Nell's Autumn Catwalk

## Fashion & Clothes Show

Goostrey Village Hall  
on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019

7.30pm (doors open at 6.45pm)

Tickets £8 – includes glass of fizz (licensed bar)

Ladies Autumn/Winter fashion comes to  
Goostrey with a catwalk presentation  
from SOS Fashion, modelled by our own  
local ladies!

Large range of  
ladies clothing,  
suitable for all  
ages & sizes.  
Scarf demo,  
Raffle



Remembering Nell Foundation

To purchase tickets:

07836 386327 or 07841 778863

[jayne@rememberingnell.com](mailto:jayne@rememberingnell.com)

[caroline@rememberingnell.com](mailto:caroline@rememberingnell.com)

GOOSTREY CHURCHES TOGETHER

# HARVEST FESTIVAL

SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER  
11.00 am in the Village Hall



*Donations welcomed for the  
Food Bank  
or cash donations for Practical  
Action*

National tests for Y6 pupils are WB 11th May. However, Year 2 & Year 6 assessments will be ongoing throughout both the spring and summer term until the **end of June 2020. It is vital that your child attends school for the whole of this period.**

## **TAKING CHILDREN ON HOLIDAY DURING TERM TIME**

### **A guide for parents and carers**

#### **Frequently asked questions**

**Am I entitled to take my child out of school for a family holiday?**

- No.** Parents have a legal duty to ensure that their children attend school or the alternative provision on a regular basis
- The Education Act 1996 makes it a criminal offence for a parent to *“fail to secure their child’s regular attendance at the school”*
- The amendments to the 2006 Regulations remove any reference to *family holidays, extended leave and the statutory threshold of ten school days.*
- The amendments make clear that **Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence (holiday) during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances**
- The amendments give **parents no entitlement** to take their child out of school for a holiday in term time
- The Head Teacher and Governing Body will determine what the exceptional circumstances are

**If we decide to take a holiday during term time what should we do?**

- The parent/carer with whom the child resides must apply in writing to the school
- The letter/application must explain the exceptional circumstance surrounding the request for the leave of absence

**What will the school do then?**

- The Head Teacher will determine whether the exceptional circumstance ruling applies, if not the application will be declined
  - Only the Headteacher (or the Deputy) has the power to approve leave of absence applications. When making the decision the protocols and criteria laid down in the school’s attendance policy must be followed.
  - Each academic year, schools inform parents/carers via a letter, newsletter or some other communication; that they may receive a Fixed Penalty Notice if their child has unauthorised absences in term time
- You will receive a written response from the Headteacher (or the Deputy) letting you know if your application has been approved
- If the holiday goes ahead after the application has been declined the absence will be recorded as unauthorised

### What will happen if the absence is unauthorised?

- The school will decide if a Penalty Notice should be issued. If the school decide that a Penalty Notice is to be issued
- You will receive a letter from the school advising that it has referred the matter to the Local Authority and that a Penalty Notice may be issued;
- The school will inform the Local Authority that a Penalty Notice needs to be issued
- A Penalty Notice will be sent to you, accompanied by an explanatory letter; the Notice gives you the opportunity to pay a penalty fine instead of being prosecuted in the criminal courts

<b>Penalties for unauthorised absence</b>		
<b>Timeline</b>	<b>One child</b>	<b>Two children</b>
Paid within 21 days	£60 per parent	£60 per child = £120 per parent
After 21 days and before 28 days	£120 per parent	£120 per child = £240 per parent
After 28 days	You will receive a summons to appear before the Magistrates' Court on the grounds you have failed to secure your child's regular attendance	You will receive a summons to appear before the Magistrates' Court on the grounds you have failed to secure your children's regular attendance

Payments will **not** be accepted after the 28<sup>th</sup> day and payments **cannot** be paid in part or by instalments

**Each school has a designated Education Welfare Officer**  
**[educationwelfareservice@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:educationwelfareservice@cheshireeast.gov.uk) or you can also telephone the main office.**

**Tel: 01270 375277**

**Website: [www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/ews](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/ews)**

### **Other leaflets are available to support you:**

- Taking action to improve attendance – explaining legal action - a guide for parents and carers
- Helping your child to attend school. The role of the EWO - a guide for parents and carers

*The expression "parent", in relation to a child or young person, includes any person who is not a parent of the child but who has parental responsibility for him/her, or who has care of the child.*

## DATES FOR THE YEAR 2019-20

Please keep checking this list because dates may be added as the term progresses. The dates on this list are ones that affect (in the main) the whole school or large numbers of families / pupils. Therefore smaller events like after school clubs, sporting fixtures, class visits, which have separate letters / information detailing times and dates etc, are not shown here. Please keep checking class pages on the website for specific information on each class.

If you do not understand any of the information here please email me and I will be able to help you.  
head@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk

Dates for your diary.

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If you require a paper copy please let us know.

If you have something that you would like putting in our newsletter please email it either to head@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk or admin@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk.

It needs to be with us by 12.00 on Thursday and attached to your email on a WORD document so once approved we can easily cut and paste. Thank you  
We always welcome pieces about Goostrey pupils and their achievements outside of school.

We will usually allow local events to be advertised in the newsletter, especially if we think they will be of interest to our pupils and their families. However we do not endorse or take responsibility for anything not directly organised by the school.

**Useful contacts and numbers.....**

If there's any other information that you feel should be added to this page, as a weekly standing item, please let me know.

[www.goostreypreschool.org.uk](http://www.goostreypreschool.org.uk)

**Telephone: 07471 756720** - available during pre-school hours only.

**SUPERKIDS**

If you want to enrol your child into **SUPERKIDS**, our after school club. then please ring the Superkids office on **0161 474 7743** or you can come to the Junior hall, between 3.30 and 6pm. This number can be used for registration details, bookings adding people to Vizilogger etc.

Superkids also have a mobile phone number you can contact to advise about your child's attendance at the club or if you are running late to collect your child.

The mobile phone number is **07746 559400**

The Chair of Governors and the Head teacher meet at least once a week. If you have anything you would like them to discuss / consider please let us know. We will always respond to you.

**Before School Club**

If you would like to enrol your child for Goostrey Before School Club, please either download a booking form from our website [www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk](http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk) or collect from the reception desk. The cost is £3.00 per session and the club operates on each school day, from 8.00 AM to 8.55 AM. Please note no food is served at this club.

The web address for ordering school uniform is:  
[www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey](http://www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey)

Class pages, on the school website have lots of up to date information for your child's class. Please keep looking at these as they are updated every week for you.

Thank you

**Compliments and Comments and Suggestions. Name:.....**

Please use this slip if you wish to give school general feedback about any aspect of school life. It is not essential to provide your name but will be necessary if you want a response. Please return to Mrs Williams or the class teacher.

Alternatively you are always welcome to e mail staff or pop in to see them—school operates an open door policy.